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ABSTRACT

Studies in this volume provide a comprehensive examination of the use of vouchers. The contributions to this book examine a variety of applications in such areas as education, child care, employment training, housing, food, and health care, and they discuss the dimensions along which vouchers should be compared to alternative delivery mechanisms. The papers are: (1) "Common Issues for Voucher Programs" (C. Eugene Steuerle); (2) "The Economics of Vouchers" (David F. Bradford and Daniel N. Shaviro); (3) "The Politics of Vouchers" (Burdett Loomis); (4) "Lessons from the Food Stamp Program" (Robert A. Moffitt); (5) "Housing Vouchers: The U.S. Experience" (George E. Peterson); (6) "Housing Vouchers: A Contribution from Abroad" (Hugo Priemus); (7) "Child-Care Vouchers and Cash Payments" (Douglas J. Besharov and Nazanin Samari); (8) "Vouchers for Federal Targeted Training Programs" (Burt S. Barnow); (9) "Vouchers for Elementary and Secondary Education" (Isabel V. Sawhill and Shannon L. Smith); (10) "Privatizing Education: Lessons from Canada, Europe, and Asia" (John H. Bishop); (11) "Vouchers and American Higher Education" (Arthur M. Hauptman); (12) "Legal and Constitutional Issues of Vouchers" (Michael W. McConnell); (13) "Grades K-12: The Legal Problems with Public Funding of Religious Schools" (Elliot M. Minberg and Judith E. Schaeffer); (14) "Medicare Vouchers" (Robert D. Reischauer); (15) "Subsidizing Health Care for the under Sixty-Five Population" (Linda T. Bilheimer); (16) "Structured Choice versus Fragmented Choice: Bundling of Vouchers" (Robert Lerman and C. Eugene Steuerle); and (17) "A Survey of Voucher Use: Variations and Common Elements" (Paul Posner, Robert Yetvin, Mark Schneiderman, Christopher Spiro, and Andrea Barnett). Each chapter contains references. (SLD)